Productivity agreement with Aircrafl Engineers has been concluded but is yet to be implemented.

Productivity payments are based on norms which are agreed with the respective Unions/Association/Guilds, hence the question of making productivity allowance payment to other categories does not arise.

Expenditure Incurred on Diamond luhlee of Civil Aviation

897. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PIL LAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what is the expenditure incurred by Indian Airlines, Air India and the International Airports Authority of India for cele-brating the diamond Jublee of Civil Aviation;

(b) Whether the employees of Air India and Indian Airlines and IAAI were given monetary gifts and gifts in kind;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the purchase procedure of GOTernment was followed while purchasing gifts in kind ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Indian Airlines, Air India and International Airports Authority of India have incurred an expenditure of RS. 4.53 crores. Rs. 9.33 crores and Rs. 2.57 crores respectively on account of Diamond .lublee celebration of Civil Aviation.

(b) and (c) Indian Airlines made one time payment to its employees ranging from Rs. 1000 to Rs. 3000 depending upon their length of service. IAAI made one time payment to its employees ranging from Rs. 3000 to Rs. 5500 depending upon their length of service. Ait India had distributed Wrist watches to their employees and special invitees at a cost of approximately Rs. 1.42 crore*. The Employess were also given one time payment ranging from Rs. 4000 to Rs. 5500 depending upon their length of service.

(4) A Committee constituted by Air India had invited offers from HMT, ABwyn and Titan. Only HMT and Titan SUhmitted their quotations and samples. The comit-tee selected Titan watches.

Violation of guidelines issued *to* Air Taxi Operators

898. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PIL-LAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of Inland Air Travel Tax (IATT) outstanding for pay ment to Government by Sontbay-Based Air Taxi Operator. East-West Airlines ;

(b) whether non-payment of IATT is a violation of guidelines issued to Ait Taxi Operators by the Director-General of Civil Aviation ; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken against such violations ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) As in February, 1993 an amount of Rs. 14.28 crores was out-standing against M/s East West Airlines.

(b) Air Taxi guidelines issued by the DGCA does not contain any reference to the payment of IATT.

(c) Show Cause Notices have been issued by the Competent Authorities Of the Customs Department to the defaulting air taxi operators under the provisions of IATT Rules, 1989 for recovery of the outstanding dues.

Complaints about the selection of stan in Trivandurm foterriati«nal Airport

899. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PIL-LAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has received any complaints about the selection of staff in Trivandrum International Airport ; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon ?